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President Rowland Haynes

HAYNES REAPPOINTED AS NEXT YEAR'S PRESIDENT

University has grown under his leadership

Rowland Haynes, president of the University of Omaha since 1935, has been reappointed as head of the institution for another year, effective Sept. 1, 1947, it has been announced by Will R. Johnson, president of the board of regents. Mr. Haynes' present contract expires Aug. 31, 1947.

During the presidency of Mr. Haynes, university enrollment has increased from 600 students in 1935 to more than 1,900 at the

present time. Together with evening classes, total university enrollment is now more than 3,600.

Under his regime, the university began the development of its present new campus, saw the establishment of an Applied Arts College, two-year certificate programs, membership in the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, a tenure and retirement system for members of the faculty, and the development of an official war-training program for both students and adults.

Reading tests show great improvement

"Fifty per cent of the students who took Reading Improvement last semester have increased from two to five times in comprehension and speed in reading," Miss Frances E. Wood, instructor in Reading Improvement, estimated. Exact figures are not yet tabulated.

Two hundred and fifty students are enrolled in Reading Improvement this semester of which ten per cent are voluntary students, and 18 are taking it for the second time for more improvement in their reading.

In this semester's work, the preliminary diagnostic tests have been given and work with the flashometer and metronoscope has begun. The flashometer gives skill in the span of perception of words, and the metronoscope teaches one to get a thought out of a single group of words. Vocabulary work has been started to increase comprehension. The Harvard reading films will be shown when a projector is available.

Red Cross drive at uni nets \$50.82

Student donations to the Red Cross totaled \$50.82 in the drive sponsored by the Student Council last week.

Contributions averaged \$10 a day during the five days the campaign for funds was in progress. Eileen Wolfe received \$13 in one hour Tuesday, making that day's donations high with \$17.

The newly organized Boy Scout Fraternity offered its first service on Friday when the Red Cross desk was taken over by President Bill Haun and a committee of members.

The attitude of veterans was expressed in many different ways. When asked to donate, they mentioned emergency loans or aid for their dependents. One spoke of cigarettes and other comforts that had been denied to him in the prison camp before the Red Cross arrived. Another remarked, "Those Red Cross girls only went out with officers." Some "wouldn't give a penny to finance those lemonade stands."

Members of the Student Council Red Cross committee were Chairman Marjory Mahoney, Harry Elsasser and Bradley Field. Miss Nell Ward was in charge.

Graduates . . .

All students who expect to graduate in June or August must make application for their degree or certificate in the Registrar's Office immediately.

Kurtz writes for engineer journal

"The ability to repair the old jalopy does not necessarily prove that Johnny's ambition of becoming an engineer is a practical one," says Prof. John W. Kurtz of the Engineering Department of the University of Omaha.

Professor Kurtz is the author of the article, "Tips for Prospective Engineers," which appeared in the February issue of the Nebraska Blue Print, journal of the University of Nebraska College of Engineering. The Certificate of Merit of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the first ever presented in Omaha, was recently awarded to Professor Kurtz.

In his article, he urges prospective engineers to start doing something about their future engineering career while still in high school. He suggests tests be taken which will indicate interests and capacities.

The University of Omaha author says that aspiring engineers should keep their training broad. Too much specialization may lead to unemployment or the loss of opportunity he pointed out.

His recipe for success in the field—a deep interest in science and its methods, a lasting curiosity about the reasons which underlie results and a desire to learn about the principles governing the behavior of materials and forces.

New campus Y group hears Crozier Mar. 3-4

(Picture on page six)

Lois Crozier, regional representative of the YWCA, spoke to Omaha University's campus YW March 3 and 4. At a potluck dinner Monday night and at a cabinet meeting the next morning she stressed the need for service in the world.

She suggested ways to raise service funds in the future and encouraged the girls to continue their "sincere cooperation and friendliness."

"I like new campus groups—they're so fresh and forward-looking," Miss Crozier said.

She also suggested discussions of world and personal problems at meetings. "They help to clarify your ideas in the confusion in life today," she said.

On the entertainment committee for the dinner, March 3, were Pat Flood, Mary Ann Linn and Idelle Littlejohn.

Cast chosen for "Tom Tom Revue"

The cast for the "Tom Tom Revue," which will be presented April 16 and 17, has been chosen from the talent tryouts held yesterday in the university Auditorium, announced Harold Poff and Joe Baker, co-directors of the review.

"The turn out and results proved to be rather satisfactory," said Poff, Thursday, "but the review still needs a quartet and a chorus line of men or women."

"The show looks like it is about ready for rehearsal," said Poff.

The outline of the program will be sent to the Dean of Students office this week for approval.

GRAY TO HAVE LEADING ROLE IN PLAY—"DEATH TAKES A HOLIDAY"

Webb, Rispler, Sorenson receive supporting roles

Charles Gray will play the coveted role of the Shadow in the University Players' production, "Death Takes a Holiday."

The cast was chosen after a two-week tryout period. The students participating will portray characters whose ages run from eighteen to seventy-five.

Grazi, the dreamlike ethereal child who shares the honors with the Shadow, will be played by petit Joanne Webb.

Duke Lambert, the terrified mediator between the Shadow and the mortals, and also the only one who knows that the Prince is the Shadow, will be Bud Rispler.

Jo Sorenson was cast as the bored, sophisticated Alda, who charms Eric Fenton, William Hoffman, a typical young Englishman with a dashing manner.

The versatile Lawrence David will play Corrado, who is a young, impulsive youth with a carefree manner, until the Shadow enters the scene.

Rhoda, a young girl with a

straightforward manner and a natural beauty is portrayed by Marjorie Mahoney.

The Princess, Dolores Hughes, is a woman with a great love for her daughter, Grazi, and a will strong enough to challenge the Shadow.

The Baron, a gruff, good natured old fellow who, at seventy-five, still has a gleam in his eye for a beautiful woman, will be announced later.

Kathryn Loukes was cast as Stephenie, wife of the Duke, who has a dark mysterious beauty and a deep husky voice that adds immeasurably to the mood of the play.

Major Whitread, Warren Vickery, is a distinguished soldier of about forty who is awed by the limitless knowledge of Prince Sarki, and who brings many laughs into the story.

The maid, Cora, will be played by Darlene Watson, and Fedele, the butler, by Sebastian Campana.

Barnard lectures

Chester Irving Barnard, who appeared recently before the senate committee investigating the appointment of David E. Lilienthal as head of the Atomic Energy Commission, will speak Wednesday and Thursday evenings, April 9 and 10, at the University of Omaha.

Mr. Barnard has been named the 1947 Baxter Memorial lecturer and will speak in the university Auditorium on "The Social Consequences of Atomic Fission."

He is a trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation, a director of the National Bureau of Economic Research, and during the war served as president of the United Service Organizations. In private life he is president of the New Jersey Telephone Company.

Daugherty in his place

A sharp-witted student in Prof. William E. Daugherty's American government class has a new interpretation for a criminal act.

In defining tort, Professor Daugherty had drawn this illustration:

"Suppose someone threw a brickbat at me. There would be a double offense, but what is the tort (wrong) involved?"

The erudite listener quipped, "Missing you."

Council to consider boost in activity fee; present amount called 'inadequate'

Increase would provide athletic drawing-card

much as \$1,000 guarantee to play here."

(2) To raise the university's extra-curricular prestige to match that set by the Adult Education School and Technical Institute here.

(3) To arouse school spirit and attendance at activities . . . "We take low-rate privileges too much for granted."

The Athletic Department alone is asking for a \$16,000 allotment next term, in contrast to the \$3,425 budget this semester, Beebe reported. Other needs are new cheerleader uniforms, name bands for dances, dramatics and debate equipment and an increased printing fund.

If the Student Council okayes the increases, it will be referred for approval to the Faculty Committee on Student Activities, to President Haynes and finally to the Board of Regents.

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It appears necessary . . .

The Student Council's action to consider upping student activity fees five or 10 dollars, while unfortunate, appears to be necessary.

The University of Omaha is a growing institution and with its growth come increased expenses. It must be noted that rising costs in all phases of business activity have necessitated payment of higher amounts for the goods and services required for student activities.

The reasons for the increase listed in the council story on page one are good ones, and certainly the university and the students themselves should benefit greatly by this fee increase.

Coal mines or classrooms?

A short time ago an item appeared in the paper, under the date line of one of the big news syndicates, to the effect that a school teacher in an eastern state had given up his position at the school to work in the coal mines.

It was written in such a manner as to convey to the reader that this was a bit of unusual news, whose only value lay in the fact that it was odd or different.

However, to most teachers the country over, this news was far from out of the ordinary, but only typified a condition they had known existed for some time.

Too much has been said and written about the low salaries of our teachers to add anything new here.

Students in colleges majoring in education probably are somewhat disheartened, and well they might be.

There is though, one ray of hope. Now that these conditions are being brought into the open, and have received nationwide publicity, we have good reason to suppose that appropriate action will be taken in the not too distant future.

The rightness of higher salaries and better all-round conditions for teachers has never been questioned. Almost up to the present time, though, little real consecutive thought has been given to the matter.

Political scenery

By Richard Holland and Gordon Watters

David Eli Lilienthal has spent the last three weeks trying to get the Senate to confirm his nomination as chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. He has been accused of so many miscues that any list must be incomplete. "New ideas" on his radicalism pop up every hour.

Lilienthal is, among other things, a communist sympathizer, temperamentally unfitted, a bureaucrat, a New Dealer and, as Time magazine has the courage to point out, opposition gathers because Lilienthal is a Jew.

No one save Senator McKellar, the Democrat's version of Colonel McCormick, takes the Communist charge with any real seriousness. McKellar's long battle with the TVA over patronage places his motives in a questionable light.

"Temperamentally unfitted" embodies a whole series of charges questioning Lilienthal's administrative qualifications. There can be no doubt as to the unprecedented success of the TVA as a New Deal experiment. TVA in about ten years has nearly doubled the average earnings per person in the valley region. An interesting item was the testimony of the Southern Catholic Association representative who said that Lilienthal had been elected their man of the year for 1936 . . . not bad for a temperamentally unfitted man, especially a liberal.

Of course, anyone can call anyone else a bureaucrat. It's sort of like calling someone a you know what, and it's very difficult to disprove.

Then the opposition gets downright nasty, but at the same time they probably place the whole showstring, cheap. I'm going to throttle the guy who writes these fillers.

fight in true perspective when they accuse Lilienthal of being a New Dealer. Lilienthal is a grade of liberal, and liberals are just not in vogue.

And finally the unspoken back-room argument which is gaining increasing prominence in American life; he's a Jew.

The nauseous odor of the affair is repugnant enough in its partisanship and plain filth to swing a majority of the normally conservative press to Lilienthal's support. Perhaps Business Week expresses it best in saying, "It (a vote for Lilienthal) is based . . . on the conviction that it is of first rate national importance for the Senate to register more than passive contempt for the slime-slinging campaign which Senator McKellar leads," and later, "such lingering doubt as we may have . . . we would gladly resolve in Lilienthal's favor lest by some mischance we should serve as an accomplice to a political assassin."

Adair addresses ushers

Robert Adair, head usher of the Broad Street Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Ohio, will be guest speaker at the Church Ushers' dinner to be held at the university tonight.

The Omaha Church Ushers Association, headed by Jewell Bockwitz, is sponsoring this second annual dinner for Omaha church ushers. George Steinheimer, instructor of the Church Usher course sponsored by the School of Adult Education, will present 35 certificates of award to students who have completed the course during the past five weeks.

Wanted: one slightly used brown showstring, cheap. I'm going to throttle the guy who writes these fillers.

Prof-files

A popular newcomer to the English Department of Omaha University is the much traveled Miss Hedvig Nyholm, who joined the teaching staff in September, 1946, after tutoring in the Study Center during the summer months.

Her selection of schools indicates her love of going places. Upon completion of a two year



Hedvig Nyholm

—Gateway photo by Alec Phillips.

course at Dana College, Blair, Nebr., she enrolled at St. Olaf's in Northfield, Minn., where she received her B. A. From there she went on to secure her master's degree from the Bread Loaf School of English in Middlebury, Vt.

In 1938 Miss Nyholm spent some time in northern Europe and visited relatives in Denmark.

She served in the WAC from 1943 to 1945 as a librarian, and she believes that this experience has given her an interest in and an understanding of the veterans' educational needs.

Miss Nyholm enjoys horseback riding and hiking. She considers these and traveling her chief hobbies. However, her enthusiasm for the study and teaching of English goes back to her country school days. She recalls that in the third grade, she neglected her arithmetic assignments to listen to the eighth grade grammar class recite.

Floater don't pay bills'

"It is the floaters who don't pay their bills," stated Dr. C. E. Thompson, director of the Testing, Guidance and Personnel Service at Omaha University, to members of the Retail Credit Grantors of Omaha at the Regis Hotel Feb. 25.

Dr. Thompson pointed out that in his work he is operating in the field of character and the best check is a systematic analysis of the person's past credit records.

"Even if we had good tests for character," Dr. Thompson explained, "the public would refuse to take the tests."

Graphology, or handwriting analysis, is accurate only by chance, according to Dr. Thompson. The greatest risks in granting credit are single men who live in rooming houses. These men are usually transient and hard to keep in contact with.

Government classes full

There seems to be an overflow of future diplomats and politicians around the university. At least that's the report from Dr. William E. Daugherty of the Department of History and Government.

"The massive increase in the number of students taking government should be very gratifying, but I'm afraid it's only because the subject is required for most courses," said Dr. Daugherty.

The enrollment in both government and history has increased 50 per cent, and the advanced classes in political theory and problems in government are overcrowded.

"The only remedy I know," said the professor, "is to open more government classes."

Discussions

By Alan Bramson

Sunny Dunham: "Clementine," "I Love You in the Daytime" (Vogue). This is a pretty record . . . at least to look at. This is the Vogue Picture record that we've been hearing so much about. The base of the disc is paper with an "appropriate" picture printed on it; the outer surface is a transparent composition. The drawings on this particular platter are plain silly. Vogue would do better if they would use pictures of the band and vocalists featured on each side. What emits from the grooves is nothing exciting either. A vocal group called the Sunnysiders sings on both sides with Pete Hanley adding his bit on "I Love You." This last tune was written by Dunham.

Herbie Fields: "Misirlou," "Baby Made a Change in Me" (Victor).

Herbie Fields is undoubtedly a good soloist, but his band is becoming as stereotyped as Sammy Kaye's or Guy Lombardo's. "Misirlou" is very much like Herbie's previous recording, "Jealousies." It features soprano sax and clarinet throughout. Fields sings on "Baby" besides playing his clarinet. This band could be one of the greatest if a little bit of originality were added to the arrangements.

Elliot Lawrence: "They Can't Convince Me," "Let's Put Our Dreams Together" (Columbia).

It is known from personal experience that this band is a fine one, but unless you want to romance while listening, don't count on this coupling for any excitement. Both sides are slow ballads, soft, subdued; both feature Elliot's single-note piano, oboe, and vocals by Jack Hunter.

Charlie Spivak: "The Old Devil Moon," "If This Isn't Love" (Victor).

Two more songs from "Finian's Rainbow"; good show tunes ably done by a very clean band. No credit is given for the vocal on "Moon." The Stardreamers sing the clever Yip Harburg lyrics to "If This Isn't Love." Charlie of course plays his sweetest trumpet on both sides.

Artie Shaw: "Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man," "They Didn't Believe Me" (Victor).

This is one of the many Shaw recordings that Victor is contracted to release even though the great lover-clarinetist is no longer featured on their label. Jerome Kern wrote the music to the tunes. The first side is sung by Imogene Lynn, who is married to another fine clary man, Mahlon Clark. The second side is a very fine instrumental arrangement — probably by Ray Conifer or Eddie Sauter. There are many good solos on "They Didn't Believe Me"; tenor, piano, trumpet, trombone and the Shawian clarinet.

THINGS PAST

Before 1914 Omaha University had no Greek students.

Nine girls became Greeks when the first sorority made its beginning at Omaha University. The mother organization of the Sig Chi's, the Gamma Mu sorority, was organized in 1914. A year later the present name was adopted and the university's oldest social club was on its feet.

Fifteen girls split from the Sig Chi's and became their first cousins—the Kappa Psi Delt's in November, 1915, and intersorority rivalry began in earnest. These two organizations had a clear field for nine years.

A shake-up came in 1923 when 24 students broke evenly to become the Phi Delt's and Pi O's.

Each group talked of becoming "National," then investigations were made and the financial end discussed, and they decided, "Well, after all, it's more democratic this way."

The baby of the campus is the Gamma Sigma Omicron Sorority

RANDOM REMARKS

Last Monday we whipped out to school, determined to carry on come influenza or high water.

Last Tuesday we whipped up a batch of sulphur and molasses and stayed home.

Last Wednesday we were whipped.

Flat on our backs, we furnished a race track for the flu bugs. And the parimutuals were quoting 1-3 on the bugs. We called a doctor.

He came wheeling up, after the latest fashion, in a wheelchair.

"You're goldbricking!" he said with a nasal snarl. "Have a Camel. My name's Gillespie!"

We called another doctor.

He came reeling up, after six Old Fashioneds, and helped himself to our aspirin. "My name's Taylor. Old Doc Taylor. Just call me Old Taylor."

We saw what he meant.

"Take lots of sulfamolasses," he advised.

"Don't you mean sulfadiazine?" we hoped.

"Diazine is Greek for molasses, I think. They're about the same thing."

The flu bugs were laughing like mad and the odds went to 1-5.

We called another doctor. He told us something about a virus, gave us some pills and bought a two-dollar ticket on us to place. We ate all the pills, stayed in bed and drank a tapful of water.

To make a long story endurable, we recovered. To make it credible, we might have dreamed all that stuff about the doctors.

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As far as we know, the highest recorded number of prepositions used to end a sentence with is two, accomplished by Guy Williams. We'd like to make the following entry, which we picked up as we passed a filing office:

"What are these records marked with 'out' under 'in' for?"

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In addition to his usual promiscuous tossing about of red herrings, Walter Winchell found time on last week's program to fret about the possibility that Congress might cut down the size of the armed forces. His frenzied voice painted the warning that the U. S. had better do no such thing because if we keep calling people dirty names, they might ask us to come out and fight.

Far be it from us to belittle such an important public figure as Mr. Winchell thinks he is, but we think that we have a satisfactory solution to the problem: Either let's you don't call any more dirty names, or let's you fight 'em, Walt.

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Two luscious things sat at a table in the crowded Pow Wow Inn one day last week, and the only empty chair in the joint was at their table. A tousle-haired, stooped, myopic male trudged up with a tray of food. He asked shyly if it would be okay for him to sit with them.

"We don't want to offend you," said one of the stylish wenches, "but do you mind if we take a chance on somebody else coming along?"

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which didn't appear until 1925.

A sixth sorority was added in 1936, Alpha Gamma Chi, a Jewish girls sorority, which deactivated in 1941.

Back in 1915 and '16 a governing body for sororities was deemed necessary, but with the increased interest and rivalry, not one was organized. The Pan Hellenic Council went into power in 1920. In its first year two men and two women from each Greek organization were members, but this was later reduced to one. In the spring of 1938, it divided into the Intersorority and Interfraternity Council which functions today.

Finally in 1943 the last of the social organizations came into existence when the beginnings of the present Independents formed.

Today Omaha University has three fraternities, five sororities and the Independents.

JOHN CAMPBELL, EX-LAFAYETTE MENTOR, TAKES GOLF REINS, WILL STEER TEAM IN 11-MATCH CARD

Irwin, 2 lettermen, host of prep stars brighten outlook

Athletic Director Virgil Yelkin presented a new golf coach and an 11-match schedule today. John Campbell, ex-Lafayette College mentor and veteran of 16 years of golf teaching in Omaha, is the new tutor.

The new head man will conduct a three session indoor clinic starting tomorrow. Other sessions



Johnny Campbell, local links man, will direct university's golfers this season.

—Gateway photo by Alec Phillips.

will also be held on Wednesdays, March 19 and 26.

All sessions will be conducted in the auditorium starting at 4 o'clock. Tomorrow's session will be followed by a golf meeting, which all aspirants are urged to attend.

Campbell will conduct another clinic — outdoors — following the three indoor classes. Dates are set for March 28, 31 and April 1, weather permitting.

Started at Lafayette

Campbell started his coaching career at Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1925. There he was golf coach at Lafayette College.

During the war years of 1942 and 1943, Campbell was Recreational Director at Martin's (Bomber) Nebraska Plant.

At present he is owner, operator and golf instructor at Campbell's Golf Range, 74th and Dodge.

Johnny is married and has three children, aged 17, 15 and eight.

As for the schedule, Creighton-Omaha U. rivalry will be carried to the golf links this year. Two matches with the Bluejays are on the docket. Creighton is host May sixth. Omaha U. will entertain 14 days later in the last match on the Indians' card.

The season opens April 17. The golfers will journey to Fremont with the tennis and track squads for a match with Midland. Tennis and golf teams will travel together throughout the season.

Six home matches have been carded. Coach Campbell will announce soon where they will be held.

Official workouts begin April 1. An all-school tournament, open to all men students, will be held during the second week in April.

All-school tourney carded

Students who hope to make the varsity team or intend to participate in the intramural golf tournament, which follows the all-school tourney, must participate in this all-school af-

Golf Schedule

April
17—Midland at Fremont.
18—Morningside at Sioux City.
22—Washburn, here.
25—Doane, here.
29—Nebraska Wesleyan at Lincoln.
May
2—Midland, here.
6—Creighton, there.
9—Nebraska Wesleyan, here.
13—Doane at Crete.
16—Morningside, here.
20—Creighton, here.

fair.

Those who show up best in the all-school tourney will make up the eight-man varsity team. The scores will also determine the handicap for each player for intramural team competition.

An entry blank for the all-school tournament will be found on Page 4 of The Gateway.

Campbell will have some fine golfers reporting to him April 1. Among them will be two letter-

men: Don Moucka, bespectacled co-captain of the hockey squad, and Gil Roberts.

Irwin a standout

One of the outstanding golfers in Nebraska will be bidding for a position on the squad. He is Dick Irwin, the former Creighton Prep golfer. Irwin was a semifinalist in the Nebraska Amateur last season. He was beaten by the champion, Bob Fraser.

Irwin also competed in the Los Angeles Open, Richmond Open and Kansas City Open.

Campbell will be greeted by a host of high school lettermen. Among them are:

Fred Dickason, three-year man at North; Bill Enholm, double-award winner, another Viking; Dick Stanley, two-year letter winner at Benson; Chet Stefanski, South ace; John Tipton, Benson letterman and a competitor in the Western Open; Carl Brizzi, North, Gene Slichter, Benson three-year man, and Lynn Miller, the other hockey captain.

Cardwell moves 60 hopefuls outside for grid practice

Movies and chalk talks highlight first week drill

Spring football began in earnest yesterday.

Head Coach Lloyd Cardwell divided his 60 grididers by positions.

Harold Johnk, who just finished his duties as director of the university-sponsored prep cage tourney, took over his line-coaching job.

Don Pflasterer and Cardie tutored the backs.

When Athletic Director Virgil Yelkin returns from his junket through the Midwest, he will instruct the end aspirants and the squad's kickers.

Cardwell plans to spend this week, the second of practice, outside running through plays. He will intersperse some chalk talks and movies.

Team play will be stressed next week. Cardie says he hopes to hold some scrimmages the final week, March 24-28.

Last week, movies and chalk talks occupied most of the practice schedule.

Tuesday, the candidates were treated to a movie made at Nebraska University in 1935. Dana X. Bible, Husker coach at that time, narrated the film.

And at regular intervals a blurred number 24 flashed across the screen. It belonged to one Lloyd Cardwell, who played a little wing back for the Scarlet and Cream in those days.

Virgil Yelkin also appeared in the film. He demonstrated punting and place kicking.

The candidates had their first outside drills Thursday. The short session consisted of exercises and a little cross country work.

Cardie held more of the same Friday.

The head coach said he wanted to take it very easy at first in order to protect his hopefuls from colds and unnecessary sore muscles.

A stitch in time means more doctor bills.

Track meeting

A track meeting has been called by Coach Lloyd Cardwell for noon Thursday in the men's locker room. He will discuss cinder sport particulars with aspirants. Cardie stressed the fact that candidates may check out equipment at any time.

South yawns into title; mitt, grunt tourneys to begin

South backed into the Intramural Cage championship last Friday.

The Packers copped a forfeit from Alpha Sigs.

North, runnerups to the champions, also won Friday on a default from Phi Sigs.

If South would have lost its final, the Vikings would have shared the top spot.

In other cage contests last week, Benson romped over Alpha Sigs, 30-6 and Thetas gained a forfeit triumph over Tech.

The long awaited boxing and wrestling mats finally arrived Friday.

Tournaments in the two sports can get under way.

Preliminaries in both tourneys will be held Friday. The finals on Monday. All matches will be held in the Quonset Hut.

Boxing will be run off first both nights. Leather will start flying at 4 p.m. on both Friday and Monday.

Don Pflasterer, Intramural Director, has charge of both tourneys.

Unaffiliated grab meet

Unaffiliated copped the women's basketball championship last Tuesday in the Quonset Hut.

They smacked Gammas in the finals.

Miss Roberta Muir, new president of the Women's Athletic Association, had charge of the tourney. She was very pleased with the spirit displayed by all the teams.

"The girls played good hard clean basketball all the way through," Miss Muir said.

Also in the Women's Phys Ed department, seven members of the modern dance class and Miss Glee Meier, their instructor, attended the Charles Weidman modern dance concert yesterday in Lincoln.

The girls were: Jacquelyn McMahill, Lucia Grove, Darlene Clifton, Marilee Steinman, Jean Williams, Jeane Thompson and Betty Holderness.

"The light that failed."

The Nebraska Power Company.

Golf meeting carded

Golf Coach John Campbell has called a special golf meeting for tomorrow at 4:45, directly after the first golf clinic, in the Auditorium. He urges all aspirants to be present.

Tatom holds first net clinic; tourney will select team

Tennis Coach Johnny Tatom held his first net clinic last night in the Quonset Hut.

The Dewey Park Pro pried the lid off the opening session with a lecture on the history of the net game. He pointed out highlights in the game's background.

Tatom also stressed the importance of the game in keeping one in shape.

"Tennis is a fine game for developing the leg muscles and improving the wind," the little mentor said.

Tatom used the remainder of the clinic time to demonstrate the forehand stroke.

"A good forehand is necessary to a strong all around game," he emphasized.

Tatom will select his intercollegiate netters from the winners of the all-school tournament to be held April 7-12. The tourney is open to all men students of the university.

Don Pflasterer will handle the administration of the tourney.

After the tournament, intramural competition will get underway.

Pflasterer said that Intramural managers should watch the results of the tourney so that they can select their teams.

An Intramural round-robin, similar to that in basketball, will be conducted after selection of the teams.

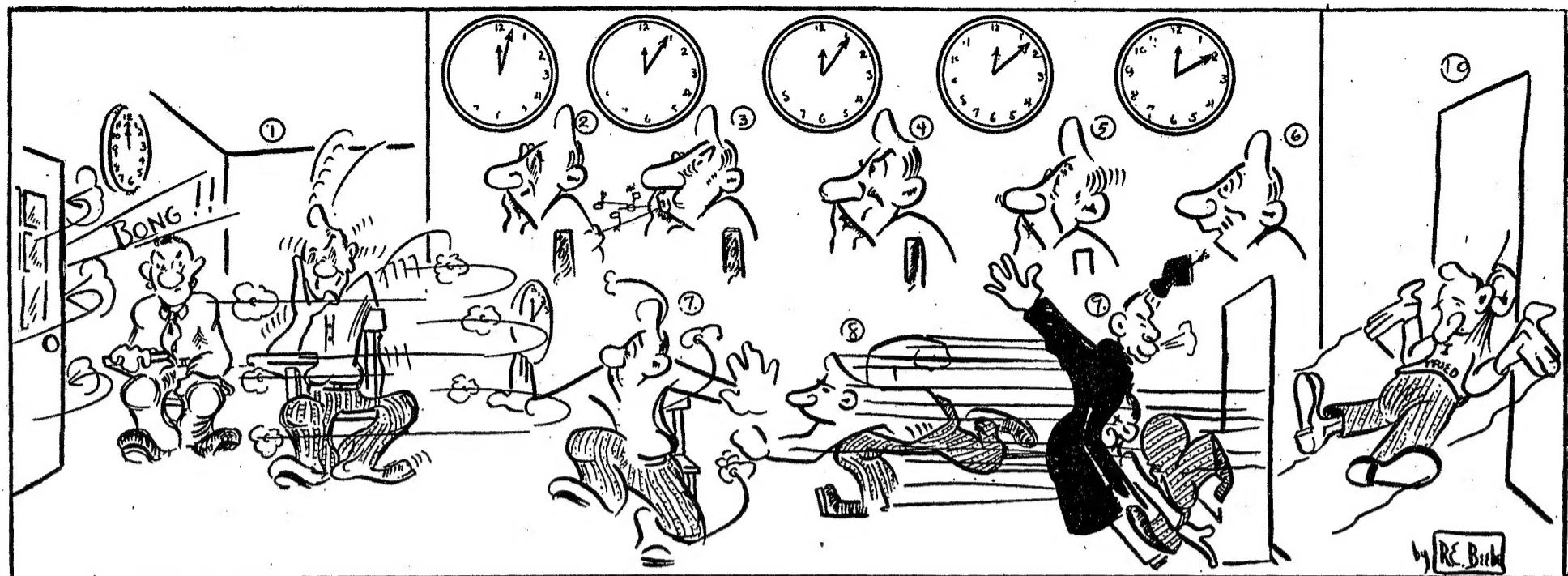
Those hopefuls selected for the intercollegiate squad will not be eligible for Intramural competition.

Athletic Director Virgil Yelkin announced that he has confirmed a home and home tennis agreement with Doane College.

The Doane netters will meet the university team here, April 25. Omaha will travel to Crete for a return engagement, May 13.



Spring football held sway at the university last week. Shown helping to finish the big equipment issuance job are Russ Gorman, center hopeful, aiding Back Bill Green with his shoulder pads, and Mil Tepper, equipment manager.



Johnk manages good season in face of practice site lack, injuries, ineligibilities

Although Basketball Coach Harold Johnk was handicapped all season long by a lack of practice facilities, injuries and ineligibilities, he managed to bring his Indian cagesters through a fairly successful season.

The Red and Black copped nine of 19 contests and closed their schedule with a 52-50 upset of Colorado State.

The lack of practice facilities hindered the Indians tremendously. They were able to use the Tech High gym only 24 times during the year for practice. All of those sessions were in the evening.

When the Tech maples were not available, Johnk drilled his hopefuls on the cracker box floor of the university's Quonset Hut.

Coach Johnk's first injury blow fell before the season's opener, Dec. 5 with Doane College.

Wayne Akert, who was slated for a starting guard spot, came down with a serious illness and was sidelined for almost two months.

Then with the season barely a third gone, Glen Richter, regular guard and former Benson star, suffered a dislocated ankle. Glen had pumped in 43 counters in just seven games prior to the injury.

The Indians missed Richter's 6-foot-1-inch under the basket.

Jerry Easterhouse was the third varsity cagester to be lost because of injuries. A bad ankle caused Jerry to miss the last seven games.

Scholastic troubles dogged the Johnkmen too.

Johnny Potts, Jerry Lohaus, tallest man on the squad at 6'4", Don Fitch and Bill Robbins all tripped over scholastic hurdles.

The university five fared well with Nebraska competition. They won seven of 11 meetings with state fives. Omaha split in two games with Hastings, champions of the Nebraska College Conference.

The Red and Black gave an unexpected tough evening to its city opponent, Creighton University, before bowing 37-48.

However, the Indians could win only two of eight with outstate foes.

They faced some of the country's better cage outfits during the year. Bradley University of Chicago, always near the top in Midwestern cage circles, was perhaps the outstanding team on the Indian schedule.

Kirksville State Teachers College of Missouri came to town with a string of 17 wins and a starting five that averaged 6'4".

Perhaps a fair way of mapping the progress of the Omaha five during the season would be to look at its two games with Morningside College of Sioux City.

The Maroons swamped the In-

dians 65-31 in the home opener at Tech early in December. However, in a return match at Sioux City late in February, Morningside managed only a nine point win.

All of the Indians, with the exception of Bob Sadil, were freshmen when the season began. Sadil was a junior. So Johnk may expect a great many of them back next season.

Johnk summed up the season well when he said, "We had a lot of tough breaks, but the kids did pretty well. I hope they can all play next season."

B cage team has headaches; Babcock final scoring leader

Don Pflasterer, B team cage coach, had more than his share of troubles this past season.

Like the varsity, this squad was riddled by injuries and ineligibilities. Also in common with Harold Johnk, varsity coach, Pflasterer shared the headache of a practice site lack.

With all these handicaps, Don's team managed to win six of 13 contests.

The Braves opened the season with a 24-17 conquest of the Doane Seconds.

They dropped their home inaugural to the Morningside Reserves, 31-46. However, a Red and Black scoring star, Don Fitch, was unveiled in that contest. Don poured in 11 points.

Fitch continued to lead the team in scoring until he injured his ankle. In six games the little forward counted 54 points for a neat per-game average of 9.0. Fitch was later benched for ineligibility and did not appear in the last seven contests.

The Braves sorely missed his scoring punch.

Pflasterer's boys gave home fans a thrill when they dropped the Creighton B team in their first meeting, 53-48. Fitch and Archie Arvin, playing his first game, led with 14 points each. The Bluejays later got even on the Hilltop.

Jerry Babcock took up the scoring mantle after Fitch's departure. Jerry hit 11 buckets, his season's high, in the 51-53 loss to Benson Post in two overtimes.

Babcock, Larry Christensen and Dick Nelson played in all of the Braves' 13 games.

Al Carrillo, the squad's floor general, played in the first ten tilts. He injured his ankle in the second Dana game and saw no more action.

Brad Johnson, guard, also suf-

'It's' fog hockey picture--Yelkin

"I cannot tell until I know next year's budget whether or not the University of Omaha will field a hockey team next winter. If the budget permits, if sufficient interest is shown by students, if the candidates are eligible, then the university may field a team."

That was the way Athletic Director Virgil Yelkin summed up the hockey situation at the university.

"I was very much satisfied with the interest shown by athletes and students in the two 'experimental' games. If the university does include hockey in its athletic program, the team will probably be entered in the Omaha Amateur League," Yelkin added.

ferred an ankle injury during the season.

The club lost some much needed height when Bill Robbins tripped over a scholastic hurdle prior to the second Doane tilt.

The initial appearance of Guy Oberg, rangy ex-North star, in that Doane game helped to offset the loss of Robbins. Oberg went on to compile a 12.7 scoring average in the six remaining games.

Just as the second game with Morningside may be used as a criterion of the varsity's improvement during the year, the Braves' clash with the Junior Maroons that same night may also be used.

The Red and Black were nosed out in overtime, 51-52. Oberg had 21 and Christensen 20 points in the defeat.

Babcock Braves' scoring leader

Jerry Babcock potted 44 goals and 18 free throws for 106 points to finish atop the B team scoring heap. His average was 8.2.

Although Guy Oberg only competed in the last six games, he hit 27 field goals and 22 free throws for 76 points. Oberg had the team's best average—12.7.

Larry Christensen followed Oberg with 65 markers for an average of 5.0.

Don Fitch with 54 and Al Carrillo with 53 complete the first five scorers.

The final B team score chart:

	fg	ft	ftt	pf	tp	avg
Babcock	13	13	46	17	106	8.2
Oberg	6	27	22	36	55	12.7
Chr'tns'n	13	28	9	22	65	5.0
Fitch	6	23	8	21	51	9.0
Carrillo	10	20	13	26	53	5.3
Green	8	11	8	16	30	3.8
Arvin	4	8	9	15	25	6.3
Nelson	13	9	4	14	11	22
Robbins	6	7	7	14	10	21
Johnson	10	7	4	14	12	1.8
Stedman	5	8	10	15	14	2.2
Sweetman	3	4	7	12	7	5.0
Erickson	2	2	2	6	4	2.0
V'n St'nb'g	5	1	2	4	12	4
Endsw'rth	5	1	0	3	0	0.8
Borchman	4	0	0	1	2	0.4

Totals 13 195 123 265 197 513 40.15

Opponents' points—552. Opponents' average per game—10.15.

The wake depends Upon its friends.

Psycho-neurosis is my diagnosis.

Landman's 217 tops Indian point-makers; Eckstrom is second

Mike Landman, sharp-eyed forward of the Red and Black cage team, romped off with individual scoring honors for the second straight year.

Mike fired in 94 field goals and cashed 29 gratis tosses for 217 markers in the Indian's 19 contests. His average was a healthy 11.4.

Glenn Eckstrom's 158 points enabled him to edge Rog Sorenson, the squad's workhorse, for the runnerup spot. Sorenson had 150 counters. Both played in all 19 games. Eckstrom's average is 8.3 and Sorenson's, 7.9.

Lou Clure and Ray Schmidt complete the first five. Clure had 115 in 19 tilts for 6.1 and Schmidt 91 in a like number of contests for 4.8.

Last year Landman captured the crown with 100 points in just 8 games for an average of 12.5.

This season Mike had his hot-test scoring spree the night of the Billings massacre. Against the Montana five he ran up his season's high total—27 points—on 13 ringers and a charity toss.

Last year his season's high was also 27. He scored that total against Dana College.

Landman started this season slowly. It was not until the fourth game against Nebraska Wesleyan that he hit his stride. He got 10 points in the Plainsmen encounter. Then followed with 14 against Wayne College and the field day against Billings.

Other big Landman totals: 20 in the second Dana tilt; 18 against Colorado State in the season's finale; 17 in the second Morningside tilt; 16 in the first Dana meeting; 15 against Doane and Hastings, and 14 against Wayne and Hastings.

Eckstrom's total was made on 67 field goals and 24 field throws. Eck jumped into the lead early in the season. He meshed 15 points in the Doane opener, his biggest scoring game, and followed with 14 against Bradley.

Sorenson combined 58 fielders and 34 charity shots for his 150 points. Rog was the only Indian who could hit in the Kirksville romp. He connected for 15 points—his season's high.

Sorenson finished with the highest number of free throws—34.

Lou Clure had 47 two-pointers and 21 free throws during the season. Lou's high performance was 16 in the second Morningside tilt.

Ray Schmidt took time out from setting up Indian plays with his passing to score 91 points. Ray

Bronx gridder new equipment manager

Omaha University now has an authority on the "Bronx cheer." He is Malvin Tepper, the new athletic equipment manager.

Malvin was born and lived in New York City for 18 years prior to entering the Signal Corps. As a code man he worked up to technical sergeant during his three years of service.

While he was stationed at Fort Crook, Malvin met an Omaha girl, married her and they now have a seven-month-old daughter.

Mal was a football man during his high school days in New York City. He played center for two years on an outstanding high school grid club. One of his teammates on that club is now playing with the Detroit Pro Lions.

Tepper is happy in his job. He is avidly interested in sports, always has been.

Tepper's ambition is to own a 1947 Buick. But he rapidly added that any Buick would satisfy him. For a hobby, he collects phonograph records.

had 11 in the Peru defeat and 9 in the Colorado State finale.

The final varsity score chart:

	fg	ftm	ftt	pf	tp	avg
Landman	19	94	29	62	40	217
Eckstrom	19	67	24	59	123	8.3
Sorenson	19	58	34	60	150	7.9
Clure	19	47	21	33	47	11.4
Schmidt	19	35	21	41	91	4.8
Akert	17	22	11	20	55	3.2
Sadil	19	19	16	27	50	2.8
Richter	7	15	18	21	12	6.1
Potts	8	13	6	9	14	3.0
Freeman	17	9	6	12	17	24
East'r'h'se	10	5	3	5	12	1.3
Lohaus	9	6	1	3	9	1.4
Akert	7	4	2	2	9	1.4
Arvin	2	2	3	5	5	3.5
Obri	2	2	1	3	1	5
Fitch	2	2	2	3	2	4
Robbins	3	1	1	2	2	2.0
Christens'n	1	1	0	2	2	2.0
Sweetman	1	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	19	401	200	373	1002	52.74
Opponents' total points—554. Average per game—50.21.						

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SCHOLAR SKETCH

You've all seen Alec Phillips' photographic work in the Gateway, and you'll see his shots in the Tomahawk this spring. The quiet, but active Englishman was born in Bedfordshire, England, about 40 miles from London. When Alec was 14, he came to Omaha with his family because there were better business opportunities in the United States.

Alec feels that the American school system is inferior to England's. When he enrolled as a freshman in high school, he found that he was three years in ad-



Alec Phillips

vance of the average freshman. As he filled his pipe, Alec hesitated slightly and said, "The English seem to resent the attitude of our Congressmen. The British are really very badly off, but the Americans don't seem to realize it. It is my theory that Americans expect too much gratitude when they do help a country."

There was the temptation of too many jobs and too much money; so Alec quit high school and went to work in commercial photography . . . a business he knew thoroughly since his father was a photographer in England. In 1936 he held a job that many people dream about . . . he was a photographer at Sun Valley for the Union Pacific Railroad.

It's hard to imagine this reserved man as an athlete, but Alec mastered skiing, skating and horse back riding at the resort.

One memory still embarrasses

him. He was coming down a hill on skis like an egg-beater, as he put it, and took a "most awkward" spill. The embarrassing thing was that one of his friends has the fall recorded on film which constantly reminds Alec of the incident.

While a sergeant in the army, Alec applied for duty in England three times, but his superiors thought he was more valuable in Florida as an instructor of photography, theory of gunnery and fighter Link training. However, Alec enjoyed his work as chief photographer at Pinellas Field, Florida. He isn't happy unless he's swamped with work, which is an odd characteristic since his criticism of the Americans is that they are always in too much of a hurry and fail to relax and enjoy life.

Alec, a business administration major, holds the opinion that psychologists in business know nothing about business. Some day he would like to help fill the need for trained industrial psychologists who can do good for the workers and the industry.

With a slight English accent, Alec stated emphatically, "I do not like swing music!" The English-born American is building a classical record collection of unusual music, particularly the works of Stravinski.

Placing his feet on the rungs of the chair in front of him, Alec commented, "If I weren't so lazy, I'd get to work on some photographs and enter them in contests." He received recognition in the first popular photographic contest in the west and had a picture hung in the San Francisco salon.

Alec still appreciates beautiful, photogenic women, although he is a married man. He described with colorful adjectives his love for unusual foods such as snail, rattlesnake and especially the English dish, steak and kidney pie.

If he had more time, Alec would travel, fly, read the classics and go deep sea and surf fishing.

In the future he'd like to take an extensive trip through Central and South America. "Not a cook's tour," he explained, "but a trip that I will map out. If the roads are passable, I'd like to take a car and a trailer equipped with a good photographic lab."

Poor, poor Pat!--OR--What can be done about Dodge St. buses?

Something's gotta be done about Dodge Street buses—like putting eves under the windows to salvage excess passengers.

We also suggest all the seats be taken up; the women are demanding equal rights. This way men will stand too.

If there had been no bother—some seats recently, poor Pat would have been in even better shape.

An economy-sized package of woman was sitting on the aisle—and also at the window—of a seat midway of the bus. She decided the time was near to hoist herself up and away.

Bludgeoning her way into the aisle, she made for the rear exit. As she mercilessly hauled her heft backward, she spewed standees into squatters' laps like a rotary snow plow.

Oblivious of pleadings, she smashed on.

Pat never had a chance. Glancing up in horror, she flattened herself against a seat. But to no

avail. Without Pat, the madame's clearance was only 2 inches between seats.

At the first impact, Pat reeled back one seat, grabbed for a hold in time to get another beating. Like a top, she was spun seat to seat by a series of charges.

The lady squeezed blissfully out the exit, leaving poor Pat hanging exhausted and amazed on a rear pole.

Two replacements to be elected to Council March 17

Freshman and sophomore students will elect two Student Council replacements Monday, March 17, in Room 100. The election will be from 9 a. m. until 2 p. m.

A Junior Class treasurer will also be chosen at this time. The two nominees for the post have not been approved as yet.

Five frosh candidates have been approved for the council position. They are: Al Borchman, Norman Barson, Ray Johnson, Robert Rumsey and Dale Walker.

Harold Poff and Mike Landman have been nominated from the sophomore class. Recommended as contenders by the council at a noon meeting Thursday were Robert Bloom and Charles Drapalik.

AVC meeting Friday

There will be a temporary organizational meeting of the American Veterans Committee Friday, March 14 at 3 p. m. in Room 102.

Any student veterans interested in the AVC are invited to attend this meeting.

Fashion show will be held March 20

New trends and fashions in women's clothes will be shown to all university girls at a style show to be held in the Auditorium March 20 from 4 to 5 p. m. The Interfraternity Council will again sponsor the fashion preview.

Two models from each of the five sororities will model the outfits which will be furnished by the Aquila.

Those modeling and their sororities are: Dorothy Ogden and Pat Smith, Pi O; Lois Brown and Jean Segelberg, Gamma; Roberta Olsen and Virginia Solo, Kappa; Audrey Bailey and Phyllis Earp, Phi Delta; and Gloria Parker and Marian Hansen, Sig Chi.

The Home Economics Club will serve refreshments after the show. All girls at the university are invited. Pat Roessig is in charge of arrangements.

Engaged . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Blore have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy to Roy W. Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs.



Dorothy Blore

J. G. Morris. The couple plan an early autumn wedding.

Dorothy is a member of Gamma Sigma Omicron sorority and affiliated with YWCA. Her fiance served for three years with the Army Air Force.

Betrothed . . .

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burden have announced the engagement of their daughter Paula Catherine to John Edward Friel, son of Mrs. F. E. Friel of Council Bluffs.

Paula is a member of Gamma Sigma Omicron sorority.

Her fiance, a veteran of three years in the Navy, attended Creighton University.

To wed soon . . .

The wedding of Miss Virginia Bakalyar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Bakalyar of Des Moines, to Roger D. Mason will be held March 30 in the Central Presbyterian Church in Des Moines. Roger is the son of Mrs. C. W. Mason and the late Dr. Mason.

Roger is taking a pre-med course here after serving two years with the Navy.

His fiancee attended the University of California at Berkeley and Drake University at Des Moines. She is affiliated with Delta Gamma Sorority.

Plain June wedding . . .

Miss Enola May Ogden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff N. Ogden, Jr., and Darrell F. Wentworth, will be married June 14.

Enola, a junior, is secretary of Sigma Chi Omicron and a member of Feathers.

Darrell, formerly of Yankton, S. D., is a freshman. He served three years in the Navy.

Don't bite the hand that feeds you.

There might be more meat in the foot.

tapping the wires . . .

The calendar tells us that spring is on its way. We conducted a poll the other day which we thought would be appropriate for the season . . . It's called the Lovable Poll, and if the boys were honest in answering the questions, the girls may find some suggestions in it on how to get and keep a man . . .

RESULTS OF THE

poll . . . Looks is the most important thing in making a girl lovable. In order, the different aspects of looks that are important are face, figure, carriage and hair. The next question, what abilities make a girl lovable, surprised us a bit. The ability to run a house placed first with cooking and dancing close behind. (This last statement will undoubtedly cause an increase in Miss Killian's classes.) The poll showed that if a girl liked children, staying home and reading a good book, she was more lovable than if she liked night life, boogie woogie and Beethoven.

A girl's interest in "the fellow" and her appreciation of his attentions ranked first and second according to the fellows in making a girl more lovable. Other characteristics that make a girl more lovable are a sense of humor, a generous heart and good taste in clothes. The men said that political convictions did not influence the lovability of a girl. And, finally, they stated that June Allyson and Ingrid Bergman were the two most lovable actresses. There it is, gals, take it or leave it.

A COSTUME BALL

called "The March Hare" will be held Friday at Peony Park for all Greek affiliates. Members of Pi Omega Pi, sponsors for the dance, informed us that no one will be admitted unless costumed. Prizes will be awarded for the prettiest, funniest and most original outfits. Those on the planning committee are Betty Jo Perry, chairman; Dorothy McGrath, Joan Johnson, Margaret Peterson, Marilee Steinman and Jean Thompson.

A FORMAL INITIATION

was held recently by Alpha Sigma fraternity for their 16 pledges. New active members are Robert Beebe, John Carson, Eugene Drake, Milo Forman, William Gerbrach, Bill Gleason, Glenn Jackson, Thomas Jeffery, Edward Kaiser, Paul C. Matthews, George Nielsen, Robert O'Hara, Robert Petrik, Wayne Shugart and Warren Vickery.

Loren Grissinger has been elected vice president to succeed Christy Kara, who graduated.

AFTER TRAMPING

through cornfields, mud and snow, Kappa pledges went through the ordeals of informal initiation at the home of Pat Patterson. Formal initiation will be held March 16.

PLEDGES OF

Pi O last semester were formally initiated into the sorority March 2 at the home of Ellen Morris. One new pledge, Joan Nickerson, was accepted for the second semester.

TWENTY-FIVE

men students have requested membership in the school's three fraternities. This brings the total to 52 men who have expressed a desire to belong to a Greek frat.

Pointing out the fact that this is the only year that mid-semester rushing will be permitted, Bill Beebe, secretary of the Interfraternity Council, said, "It was due to the wish of the fraternities to bring their membership back to its pre-war status." The fraternities have agreed to limit their membership to 50.

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FOUR MEMBERS

of the Home Economics Club represented the University of Omaha at the Nebraska Home Economics convention Feb. 28 through March 1. Marilyn White, Joanne Kurtz, Mary Rowland and Phyllis Strasser went to Hastings from O. U.

Nebraska college students from foreign countries spoke at the convention.

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AN AUTHORITY

on rugs and carpets, John V. Smeallie, spoke to the Home Management class at the University of Omaha, Friday, Feb. 28.

He explained how to judge the quality of rugs and carpets and how to distinguish one weave from another.

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"YOU CAN LOOK

for the Independents to be more active this semester," said Neal Walker, Independent president. "By raising the membership fee to \$1.00 we have more or less eliminated the dead wood of the organization."

Highlight of the meeting held Wednesday, March 4, was the discussion of plans for the forthcoming Ma-e Day. After the meeting, the members were entertained by a committee headed by Eileen Wolfe.

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WENTWORTH CLARKE

is the new secretary of the Alpha Sig's. He was elected at a meeting held by the Alpha Sig's Tuesday evening, Feb. 4.

Plans for a dance to be held sometime during April were discussed.

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PHI DELTS

held their formal initiation at the home of Marilee Logan last Saturday night, after which members of the sorority met at Peony Park for an evening of dancing.

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GAMMA PLEDGES

took their vows at 7 p. m. Sunday at the Woman's Club in a candlelight ceremony. Dressed in formals, 18 girls received their sorority pins. They are: Lois Allen, Lois Brady, Lois Brown, Joan Burda, Pat Filley, Doris Krupa, Carolyn Lewellen, Dorothy Little, Emmy Lou Lundt, Margaret McGee, Doris Nordeen, Joan Pruch, Betty Reeder, Judy Rutherford, Joy Stute, Shirley Thoren, Marjorie Turner, and Helen Underwood.

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Discussing policy for a "growing YWCA" are cabinet members left to right, back row: Miss Beulah Harvey, sponsor and Lucia Grove. Left to right in front row are Charlotte Meyer, Joanne Zander, Joanne Kurtz, Joy Stute, Mary Ann Linn and Dorothy Styksal. At table are Lois Crozier, regional YWCA representative and Bettie Jo Perry.

Theatre Mart

By Charles Grey

Paramount's latest release, *My Favorite Brunette*, starring Bob Hope and Dotty Lamour will soon be showing at one of our local movie houses. The plot of this show follows quite closely the general theme of *My Favorite Blonde*, but instead of being involved with Nazis, we find ourselves confined to the stereotyped activities of ordinary American villains.

A baby photographer who offices next to a private eye finds himself realizing his ambition to be a real detective (an Alan Ladd and Humphrey Bogart rolled into one) when Dotty comes in as the maiden in distress and mistakes our Bob for the private dick. From then on, with the aid of the sinister Peter Lorre, who manages against terrific odds to maintain a sort of suspense, it becomes a matter of "I'll chase you, then you chase me," with a great deal of clowning thrown in. There are many funny moments in this show, and most of them are due to Hope's terrific delivery and split-second timing rather than a well-written script. The author, Eddie Beloin, who formerly wrote for Jack Benny, forces the humor by piling joke upon joke, and situation upon situation to sustain an incoherent and somewhat ragged plot.

Ardent Hopesters will find his latest satisfactory; those who can take him or leave him will recognize limitations in this vehicle. You could, and probably will, do worse.

Irma

A SHORT STORY
By Jane Harkert

"Poor Irma," they all said. "What will she do now? She was such a devoted daughter. Her life centered around the big brownstone house on the hill. She had given her life to caring for her invalid mother after she had become a cripple in the automobile accident—the accident in which Irma's father and little brother had died."

They talked sympathetically of Irma's devotion and sacrifices. "There aren't many girls," they said, "who would give up so much—especially a man like Roger Marlowe—to care for an eccentric old woman."

They remembered that it wasn't

long after Roger had arrived in town to live with his aunt and uncle that he and Irma were seen at the movies together and walking in the park on Sunday afternoons together. Irma looked more alive during those months than they had ever remembered seeing her before—or after. Something happened though—Roger was transferred to the West Coast, and Irma settled back to her old routine of working in the library and caring for her mother. Some people said that her mother's influence with the president of Roger's company had something to do with his transfer—but that was just talk, no one ever knew for sure.

The townspeople remembered how Irma used to like to sit in the park and make sketches of the children while they played. She was good too! She'd had an offer to work on the advertising staff of a large firm in New York, but she hadn't accepted.

Irma never complained though; everyone agreed to that. "No one ever heard her say one word about how much she had to sacrifice."

"Irma really didn't feel she was sacrificing anything," the neighbors said, "she loved her mother and wouldn't have thought of doing things any differently than she did."

Irma stood beside her mother's grave and listened to the last words of the funeral service. She wore the expression everyone had expected. She dabbed at her eyes at appropriate intervals and kept her view focused on the ground in front of her. But she thought of how her mother would have laughed her hard, dry laugh to see these people at her grave. She thought of many things—of her life for the past twenty years—but most of all she thought of Roger!

Later, she walked slowly home. Tonight, instead of walking through the dark house to her mother's room as had been her custom for so long, she turned on the lights and built a fire in the fireplace. There hadn't been a fire there since she was a little girl, when her father had one burning every evening all winter long.

Then she went upstairs to her own room. She saw her reflection in the mirror—her hair in a knot at the nape of her neck the way her mother had insisted she wear it; her face drawn and colorless—her mother didn't approve of make up; her dress plain and

unattractive—her mother thought it sinful to waste money on silly clothes. She was thirty-five years old and looked twenty years older.

Hurriedly she removed the dress and tossed it aside. She took the pins from her hair and let it tumble down her back. She stepped to the closet, and from the back removed a lacy negligee—one that any bride would treasure though it wasn't the latest style. At her dressing table she added a little color to her cheeks and lips. Then,

she crossed to her desk, and from the drawer she took a picture, a small, dark bottle marked "for external use only" and a newspaper dated the preceding week. Once more she read the small, inconspicuous article, "Roger Marlowe, one time resident of Townsville, will arrive next week for a visit with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ford. Mrs. Ford will entertain at an Open House in honor of her nephew." Irma put down the paper,

picked up the bottle and walked to the bathroom. Slowly she poured the contents of the bottle down the drain. She had done all she could—now all she could do was wait!

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